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CANADA IS CARRYING OUT FREE POLICY OF EMPIRE

Minister of Interior Makes
Eloquent and Patriotic
Appeal.

Reciprocity a
British Policy

Farmers at Horse Hills Ac-
cord Minister Splendid
Hearing

Farmers of the district midway be-
tween Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan
was gathered in the school house at
Horse Hills last night to hear from the
Hon. Frank Oliver an exposition of
the reciprocity agreement between Canada
and the United States. Every seat
in the large school room was occu-
pied and many of both Liberal and
Conservative political persuasions
were present. Willard Starn, of
Horse Hills, occupied the chair. Mr.
Oliver discussed the reciprocity
agreement in a convincing manner
and gave a most eloquent and
eloquent exposition of the benefits
which it must bring to Canada.
Occasional outbursts of ap-
plause broke the silence of the
audience. The speaker's attention
was followed by those present with
cheer and Mr. Oliver was warmly
received by the audience.

A short address was given by
Alex. Stuart, K.C., and when the
chairman asked whether any member
of the audience had any other ques-
tions to ask of Mr. Oliver, as it might
be their last chance to hear the
Liberal candidate before the election,
a voice replied in confident tones, "I
don't have any more questions."

"In that case," replied Mr. Oliver,
"I am satisfied, but I am not satisfied
that you are. A vote of thanks was passed
to the chairman and the meeting
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"The Prestige of the Empire Is Our
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Greatest Glory"—Hon. Frank Oliver

High patriotism was the distinguishing
characteristic of Mr. Oliver's address at Horse Hills last night. The orator of the hour made an eloquent and convincing appeal for support to the Laurier government in its fight to protect the people from the grip of monopoly. He showed clearly the motives of the "interests" in combatting the reciprocity agreement, and effectively answered the charges that increase of trade with the United States would tend to denationalize Canada.

"The prestige of the Empire," declared Mr. Oliver, "is our guarantee of liberty as well as our greatest glory. Even the material advantage in reciprocity, could it be shown that it would weaken our British connection, then would be desirable, but Britain herself trades with all the world and it is her trade which makes her great. How then can this country, whose freedom of trade has made her great, in any way find fault with her first colony in following her example."

"It has been the policy of Great Britain in the last forty years, continuing in the policy of Ontario, to establish a reciprocal friendship with the United States. Is not the government of Canada then acting in accord with the principles of the government of Great Britain? And yet we in Canada are accused of disloyalty to the empire for carrying out the fixed policy of the empire. The argument is to be made for words, and even as distinct as it is absurd."

BOYS PLAYED WITH SHOT GUN DURING ABSENCE OF PARENTS

PAUL McNAUGHTON TELLS CORONER'S JURY HOW HE ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HIS YOUNGER BROTHER, AND AFTERWARDS DRAGGED THE BODY OUT TO THE ROADWAY.

The jury summoned by Coroner Porin to hear evidence in the case of Charles McNaughton, the twelve-year-old boy who was shot and killed at the foot of the house at a point down the road, the jury then raised an adjournment for the afternoon. The jury then raised an adjournment for the afternoon.

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Bank Clearings and Street Railway Returns Both Show Remarkable Increases

Edmonton's bank clearings for the month ending last night establish a new record for August with a total of \$9,545,494, an increase of 55 per cent. over the total for August, 1910, which was \$6,167,661. The total increase in June 1911 was \$1,000,000, a fairly indicative of the greater volume of business now being transacted in the city. The total for the week ending today was \$1,900,000, as compared with a total of \$1,354,587 for the corresponding week last year, an increase of over half a million, or 38 per cent.

Edmonton's business has been expanding in the last few weeks may be judged from the following figures for the month of August in different years:

August, 1909	\$5,022,454
August, 1910	6,167,661
August, 1911	9,545,494

The increase in three years was \$4,522,939, or 73.5 per cent. the total for the month of August, 1910.

Thirty days of August have established a record for any month in the history of the street railway. Up till last night, \$45,300 passengers had been carried this month, and the receipts were \$26,881.85 for the thirty days. This is an increase in passengers carried of 25,654 over the total for August of the year 1910, which was 19,227. The increase in receipts was \$1,124.85, or 4.5 per cent. of \$24,756.90, the total for August, 1910, being \$23,632.05.

Passenger carried by the street railway have increased as follows in the last two years:

August, 1909	Pass. Carried
August, 1910	154,704
August, 1911	245,300

THE BIGGEST COLONIZATION SCHEME YET ATTEMPTED

W. C. J. MANNING, FORMERLY OF WINNIPEG, HAS INTERESTED ROMAN CATHOLIC CLERGY IN 6,000 PARISHES IN WESTERN U.S. FOR SETTLEMENTS IN WESTERN CANADA.

Winnipeg, Aug. 31.—Probably the largest colonization scheme ever attempted in Canada is being carried out by the direction of W. C. J. Manning, formerly of Winnipeg, who is now in the United States. Manning is an old Winnipegger. He was born in the city and has been a resident of the city for many years. He is now in the United States, where he is engaged in a scheme to settle 6,000 Roman Catholics in the western United States. The scheme is being carried out by Manning, who is now in the United States, where he is engaged in a scheme to settle 6,000 Roman Catholics in the western United States.

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TORY DEMONSTRATION FAILED IN ITS PURPOSE

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Rare Good Humor Discloses Shallowness of Cheer for Borden at Halifax Meeting. Crowd Cheered Itself Hoarse for Fielding.

Halifax, Aug. 30.—Canada's prime minister received from Nova Scotia last night one of the most remarkable demonstrations of his career. At the close of his thrilling speech, over ten thousand enthusiastic people rose and wildly acclaimed him, again and again the way of cheering was taken up at the far end of the great arena in which the meeting was held and rolled forward over the main entrance. For over an hour Sir Wilfrid engaged the vast audience with his interventions. The strains of an arduous campaign seem to have no effect on him. The voices of other men were heard and gone. His fringe with his accustomed vigor.

Today morning he was up for the voyage to Digby by 5 o'clock in the morning. He endured the sleepily trip and spoke at no less than seven meetings during the balance of the day, the last gathering of 3,000 people being at Hants at one o'clock yesterday morning. It was nearly 2 o'clock before Halifax was reached where another reception was awaiting him and an hour later before he retired. Notwithstanding, six hours later he was holding a public reception with Premier Murray at the provincial parliament building, while in the afternoon he attended the meeting of the Halifax fair.

Premier in Rare Good Humor. Sir Wilfrid's speech at Halifax sparked with rare good humor. He had been speaking only a few minutes when he mentioned the name of Borden. "I am not in the habit of mentioning names," he said, "but I am not in the habit of mentioning names."

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1911.

That is putting it in English; good plain, home-like Anglo-Saxon. There is no beating about the bush, no figurative phraseology about the "thin end of the wedge," but a straight out declaration that the fight against reciprocity is the fight of protection. If reciprocity carries protection in

which some people are now doing so much useless worrying? Why, instead of blethering and blubbering about his own incapacity and the omnipotence of the American manufacturer—why, with the boundless resources of this great Dominion at his disposal should he not also cry out for a chance to get at his Yankee competitor? If, by his example and his vote the Canadian farmer can transform some of our Canadian manufacturers from shivering and snivelling mendicants into captains of industry asking only a fair field and no favors, he will do more for the wholesome development of industry in Canada than a millenium of protection.

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